Minutes of City of Annapolis Ethics Commission Meeting May 17, 2021

Type of Meeting: Special

Location/Time of Meeting: Zoom Videoconference Meeting, 5:05 p.m.

Call to Order: By Chairman Dolezal

Present at Roll Call: Vice Chairman Chase, Bliden, and Townsend

Absent at Roll Call: Moulden

Staff Present: Assistant City Attorneys Berger and Leonard

Discussion/Review Topics: 1. Recent activities were summarized; including a Confidential

complaint which was dismissed when R-4-21 was withdrawn on March 22nd, actions taken in response to an April 23 Complaint, and a meeting of the Chair and the City Attorney on May 5. It was noted that Commissioner Moulden has indicated he intends to resign due to the extensive workload of

his job.

2. The status of overdue financial disclosure statements included: 30 employees, 16 Board and Commission members, and 12 Statements of Compliance. Consensus was that the Chair will provide notice emails and letters to the noncompliants with copies to appropriate supervisors/chairs.

3. In discussing the issue of requiring a Statement of Compliance (2.08.060) the Commission agreed with the analysis done by ASA Leonard which indicated the

requirement was in violation of Maryland law. The chair will

appropriately respond to the City Attorney.

4. In discussing the status of Commission Procedures dated May 17, 2016, it was decided to table the review until after the April 23rd complaint is resolved and until all financial

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disclosure forms are received and reviewed.

5. It was decided to hold a Confidential Closed Hearing at 5:30 p.m. on June 2nd to complete our investigation of the April 23rd

complaint.

Adjourned/Time: Upon a motion duly made, seconded and adopted, the

Commission's meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.